

confidence and shown you some purchase a she has made at The Meyer Store of cour e you laughest at the idea of its being any betr than the same price would have purchas delsewhere-Sutdid you ever stop to consider how this new store expected to get a firm hold in this great city where there are stores galore? That's where a bran's powers era superior. She was attracted to this new s ore through curios. ty, perhans, and then became convinced of its superior advantage; or she mar have sees some things purchased there and was hereby compelled to paya visit - Anyhow she is not got ug to stray from her old- I ne shapping place unless it is to her advantage and we want to impress this fact on you, that now especially right now. The Meyer Store is making a bid for your patroungs by offering something better at every price Suits, Hats, Shoes, Shirts, Thes-Underwear and other articles of men's



Thermometers, Barometers.

PARTLY-COOKED CEREALS DANGEROUS.

in the common-sense crusade in favor of corest foots, many people lose sight of the fact that they cannot escape all the fleshthe situation regarded that the Santa Fe and the surgerous. They enter the stomach in condition unfit for assimilation and yield amail neurishment. A properly destrinized (browned) food furnishes energy and builds up the system. It finds an enthusiastic reception in the stomach, which rejoices in the lightening of its load. Toasted Wheat Flakes is such a food. It is sweetened with Malt Honey. Nature's health sweet, and is delicious and satisfying. Imitations may deceive you, but not your stemach. The genuine Toasted Wheat Flakes packages bear a picture of the Battle Creek Santatum.

TAUCHT ONE COURSEL 22 VEADS.

TAUGHT ONE SCHOOL 23 YEARS.

Nick Mayer Has Again Been Employed for Pedagogue.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Coulterville, III., April 24.-To-day closed who has again been employed for the ensuing year. Mr. Mayer was born in Kenosha, Mich, forty-two years ago, and educated at St. Francis, Wis., in a Catholic normal, the only college of its kind then in existence. After his education he traveled through almost every State in the Union seeking a leid of labor, when he settled at St. Libery, few miles north of this city, where one of he insect church structures in the State as then under construction. He is now organist of this famous camelral, and an ardent member of the atholic Knights of Illinois, also a member the Democratic County Committee of Chair County, and in his own language, tims to be the strongest Democrat in the stee.

Rain in the North—

Republic Special.

Sedalla, Mo., April 24.—The spring drought which threatened the total destruction of the oat crop and serious damage to wheat, corn and pasturage, was broken in Central Missouri to-day by a heavy, continuous rain. It has rained steadily all day, with indications that the downfail will continue many hours longer. Farmers had become discouraged over the prospects for crops; oats stalks were withering under hot winds, and corn which had been planted in dust are drying out. To-day's heavy rain has entirely changed the situation, and farmers and stockmen are jubilant.

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Re VUIC SPECIAL Sedation Mo., April 24.—Missouri Pacific extra eastbound freight train was badly wrecked this morning two and one-half mlies west of Warrensburg, and three trainmen were seriously injured.

The injured were: N. Crawford, conductor, hand, left hip and head injured. George Anderson, brakeman; back wrenched and face lacerated; may be injured internally. R. J. Richards, brakeman; head and left leg injured and back wrenched.

The accident was caused by the breaking The accident was caused by the breaking down of a car, and seven loaded cars and the caboose were badly wrecked. Traffic was delayed only a short time.

EMBALMERS ARE ENTERTAINED.

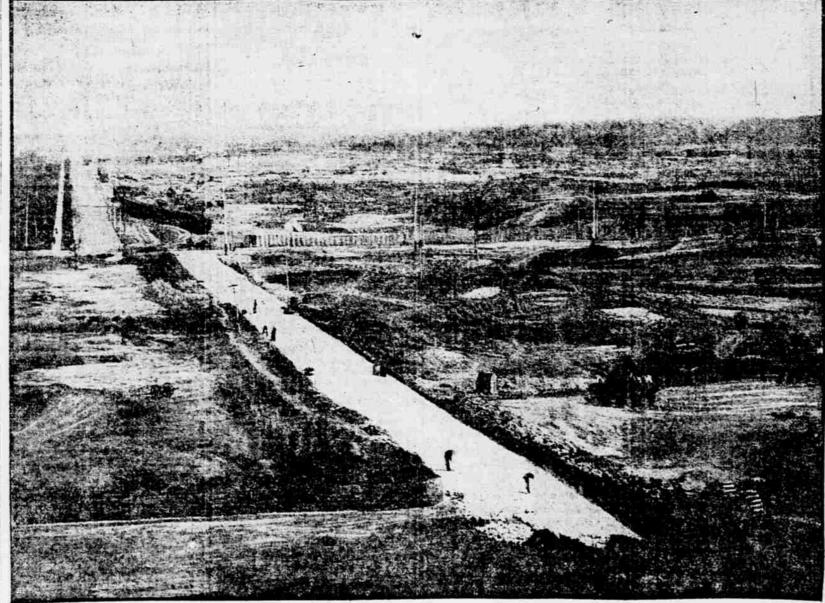
Delegates Attended Columbia Theater and Lunched Afterward. Delegates to the convention of the Na-ional Embalmers' Association were enterained at the Columbia Theater last night is the guests of Henry Gardner, president of the St. Louis Coffin Company.

After the performance they were tendered an informal luncheon. About 20 persons were present, including several ladies.

Madison County W. C. T. U. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Alpambra, Ill., April 24.—The Madison Nobity W. C. T. U. convened here to-day a a two days' session. Mrs. M. A. Buck-fill of Alhambra was elected president; dirs. E. E. Volentine of New Douglas, sectetary, and Mrs. M. A. Hamilton of Upper Alton, treasurer. The day and night sessions were interspersed with devotional extractions, music, reading and discussion of papers and business relating to the county organizations.

EXPOSITION SITE FROM THE ADMINISTRATION TOWER.



Looking across the northwest corner of the Forst Park section of the site from the tower of the Administration building, located on the Washington Uniresity tract. The new telford road leading from Lindell drive and Skinker road to the main portal of the Administration building appears in the foreground. Opposite the intersection of the telford road with Skinker road is the corner of the Exposition site, where the Colorado Railway makes its connection with the Exposition Company's tracks. The clearing beyond was formerly the "wilderness."

John Tomlinson Has Become Lead

an Excursion Train.

William Slaughter received a telegram last night from the Marshal at Garland, Tex...

stating that Henry M. Peeler of Fayette

had been found beside the railroad track

HEAVY LOSS AT RED OAK, IA.

Bank and Sixteen Mercantile

Houses Were Burned.

Red Oak, Ia., April 24.—Fire early this morning destroyed the Houghton Bank building, and then entered the south side

of the square, burning eleven buildings.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

DOWNPOUR OF RAIN IN TWO STATES, RICE WILL CASE HEARING.

Prospective Drought in Southwestern Missouri Was Broken by Steady Fall.

ALL CROPS WERE BENEFITED.

Parching Kansas Was Also Relieved-The Wheat Belt Received Its First Good Rain This Spring.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Kansas City, Mo., April 24.-With rains reported from twelve points in Missouri and twenty-one points in Kansas, the grain men are decidedly more cheerful to-day.

It was with the utmost anxiety they went Ills if they are careless about the stuation regarded that the Santa Fe

rains.

From Kansas came rain reports from Geage, Lawrence, Reading, Independence, Emporia, Newton, Ellis, Chanute. Strong, Scottsville, Fort Scott, Ottawa, Pittsburg, Arkansas City, Hutchinson, Walnut, Chetopa and Columbus. Wellington's rain turned into hail, which did much damage to the growing wheat. the growing wheat.

Farmers Are Jubilant.

THREE TRAINMEN ARE INJURED.

St. Joseph, Mo., April 24.—The arid farms and gardens in Northwest Missouri received a good soaking this afternoon. Rain fell for an hour and a half. Some damage was done by the wind. Farming operations will now go forward.

Wheat Greatly Benefited.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Nevada, Mo., April 24.—A fine rain fell here to-day that will be of great benefit to the wheat crop. The acreage in this county is unusually lurge this year and the wheat is in fine condition.

Soaking Rain in Golden City. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Golden City, Mo., April 24.—A soaking rain fell here to-day, and the farmers claim that a big wheat crop is insured.

Downpour at Bevier.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Bevier, Mo., April 2t.—A heavy downpour of rain, accompanied by thunder and lightning, visited this section, beginning at 7 p. m. Every indication points to an all night rain, thus relieving the long, protracted drought. Heavy Rain in Bates.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Butler, Mo., April 24.—A heavy rain fell throughout Bates County to-day, breaking the threatened drought. Rain in Saline County. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Marshall, Mo., April M.-Another rain came here to-day, much to the joy and benefit of the farmers and gardeners. Good Rain at Fayette. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Fayette, Mo., April 2.-A good rain fell here this afternoon, the first of any consequence for several weeks. The prospect for farming was beginning to look very discoveraging.

Steady Rain at Aurora.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Aurora, Mo., April 24.-A slow but steady

Appointed Master in Chancery. Arcola, Ill., April 24.—John "M. Walker has been appointed Master in Chancery for Douglas County. His bond of \$150,000 was approved this morning.

COMMITTEES APPROVE APPROPRIATION BILL

ing Counsel for Patrick. Will Be Reported in Council To Day or Tuesday and Be New York, April 24.—The contest over the estate of William Marsh Rice, the dead Speedily Passed.

millionaire, was continued this morning be-fore Surrogate Flizgerald. Albert S. Os-borne, hand-writing expert, was cross-ex-amired. ITEMS AGGREGATE \$1,250,000.

> Comptroller Says This Is More Than One-Fourth of Year's Allotments - Clean Streets Guaranteed.

fore Surrogate Fitzgerald. Albert S. Osborne, hand-writing expert, was cross-examined.

Witness said that there were seventeen distinct ways of tracing a signature, and that in several hundred genuine signatures of Mr. Rice no two were so closely alike as the four signatures to the disputed wills. An examination of re-ords in the clerk's office of the Supreme Court disclosed the fact that John Tomilinson of No. Is Wall street had become leading counsel for Albert T. Patrick, by substitution for Frederick B. House and William Moore.

Mr. Teunlinson served notice as to his appointment as chief counsel upon the other attorneys for Patrick. His offices are in the Drexel building, in which is the banking-house of Swenson & Son and the temporary headquarters of Captain Baker of Houston, who is the representative of the Texas heirs under the 1896 Rice will.

It is asserted that Mr. Tomilison was selected by Patrick's brother-in-law, John T. Milliken of St. Louis, who has been paying most of the expenses of the defense. Lawyer Turner of Chicago, who was sesocitated with Messrs. House and Moore in the recent trial, is still retained. The temporary appropriation bill, containing items aggregating about \$1,250,000, was approved yesterday afternoon by the Ways and Means committees of the City Council and House of Delegates. This action virtually assures its immediate pass age by the Municipal Assembly,

Unless an unforsien obstacle interposes municipal departments will begin paying Opportunity for inventors to become in-terested in the Marconl System of Wireless Telegraphy is offered in the announcement of E. Rollins Morse & Bro. of New York salaries and bills about May 5. terested in the Marconi System of Wireless Telegraphy is offered in the announcement of E. Rollins Morse & Bro. of New York and Boston, inviting subscriptions of \$1.70.000 of the capital stock of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of America. In their advertisement it is stated that the capital stock is \$5.556.000, and that the company has no preferred stock and no bonded debt or other obligations. Of the total capitalization \$50.000 is retained in the treasury. The stock of the company is offered to the public at \$5.500 per share, but the right is reserved to advance the price without notice. A payment of \$10.00 per share must accompany application, which will be returned if the shares are not allotted, and the remaining \$5.00 is to be paid when the allotment is made and certificates will be issued for the payment by the Morton Trust Comrany of New York.

This company's announcement in to-day's Republic is presented in detail and complete information is given to those interested. The directors of the company, in addition to the inventor, are; John W. Griggs, ex-Attorney General of the United States; Samuel Insuli, president of the Chicago Etison Company; Commander J. D. J. Kelley, Commander of the United States; Navyers; H. H. McClure of the S. S. McClure Company; Wyllis Rossiter Betts, Colonel John J. McCook of Alexander & Green, Lawyers; E. Rollins Morse of E. Rollins Morse & Bro., Bankers; Cyrus J. Sedgwick, treasurer of the Hall Signal Company; Loyal I. Smith, Spencer Trask of Sciencer Trask & Co., bankers, As indicating the extent of the service rendered by this system, it is stated that one of the American Ilmers, on approaching this coast recently, transmitted over \$600 words. The Marconi system has been adopted by the Loyals, and the principal transatlantic stemmship companies are equipping their vessels with this system as rapidly as possible. Propably this is the first time in the history of the Municipal Assembly that a bill of such scope and importance was pro-nounced acceptable at a first committee conference. Last year's temporary appro-priation bill was not passed at all. It was held up by the House of Delegates until the general-appropriation bill was introduced. Usually, numerous conferences are Not anticipating such speedy action, Comptroller Player did not have the bill

terations. If the stenographers can finish before evening it will be reported favor-ably in the City Council to-day, Otherwise it will be reported next Tuesday. The amount of appropriations exceeds the usual aggregate by about \$50,000. Mr. Player says the increase is divided between the Street and Fire departments. The Street Department will receive about \$50,000 for street cleaning, enough to keep the principal thoroughfares in satisfactory condition in May and June.

Economy to Be Enforced.

Mr. Player states that the appropriations represent more than one-fourth of the revenue that will be available for municipal panies are equipping their vessels with this system as rapidly as possible.

nue that will be available for municipal purposes in the whole fiscal year. He warms officials, therefore, that the generous allotments made in the temporary bill do not warrant anticipations that more money can be allowed departments this year than last year. On the other hand, coenomy will be more rigorously enforced this year than ever before.

General conditions are more favorable, the Comptroller says, for the pursuance of public work of all kinds in the first three months of the year than at any other time. For this reason he decided to increase appropriations in the general bill.

The items were read to the committees yesterday afternoon for the first time. The bill met with unanimous approval at once. MISSOURIAN WAS BADLY HURT. It Is Thought That He Fell From bill met with unanimous approval at once. The Council committee is composed of Messrs, Poyce, Hodges and Hoffmann, and the House committee of Messrs, Koeln, REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Fayette, Mo., April 24.-City Marshal the House committee of Messrs, K. Denny, Brennan, Murrell and Zachritz.

SARCOXIE BADLY SCORCHED. Hotel and Fifteen Business Houses Burned-Loss \$100,000.

had been found beside the railroad track near that city in an unconscious condition, with a fractured skull and other injuries.

Mr. Peeler is a well-to-do citizen of Fayette. He was defeated in last Saturday's Democratic primary for Circuit Clerk and Recceder, and had left here Monday afternoon for Galveston. Tex. A later telegram states that he is still unconscious; that his watch, money and other belongings were found on his person. It is supposed he fell from the crowded excursion train. His brother, John A. Peeler, left to-day to be with the unfortunate man. stroyed, entailing a loss of \$100,000. William

Sixteen merchants were burned out, five lawyers, two dental offices and sixteen other offices and apartments. Loss, \$212,000; insurance, \$169,000.

The valve of the principal water main had been shut for work to be done and had not been opened again, reducing the water pressure so that the firemen could not control the fire.

Westerners in New York.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, April 24.—Among the arrivals at the hotels here to-day were the following Westerners:

St. Louis—J. A. Lodwick, R. A. Walsh, L. Wickham, P. Beimean, Imperial; B. B. Sifer, M. B. Sadier, Herald Square; G. F. Anderson, C. Andrevett, Navarre; H. G. Mudd, Holland; T. H. Blundell, Hoffman; A. W. Hagar, Waldorf; C. A. Fatis and Mrs. Faris, Fifth

Westminster.

Kannas City-H. Harris, P. H. Warner, Criterion; H. Grisson, Startevant; F. O. Hallett, Park Avenue; J. B. Wheatley, Continental.

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FATHER DE SMET MONUMENT. St. Louis University Alumni Mak-

ing Great Progress.

Louis University proposed to raise for a monument to Father de Smet, it was announced last night, about \$1,300 has been subscribed. A meeting of the De Smet Memorial League was held at the uni-versity, Grand avenue and Pine street, Doc-tor H. Smon presiding. Twenty represen-tatives from the several city parishes were present. It was decided to divide up the work into

It was decided to divide up the work into parish committees, and all expressed a willingness to take up the work and make it a general Catholic movement. From parts of Oregon, Montana and Kanass, where Father de Smet labored, encouraging reports were received and handsome contributions to the monument fund are expected. Among the Indian tribes which knew the priest interest is being taken in the proposed statue to his memory.

SUITOR SHE CHOSE SHOT FROM AMBUSH

Enemy Lay in Wait for Charles Halfaker and Pretty Rose Weckherlin.

Rivalry for the favor of pretty Rose Weckherlin, who lives in a humble cottage hidden among the railroad tracks at the foot of Destrehan street, is supposed to have been the cause of the firing of four shots at the young woman, her father and Charles Hulfaker, the successful suitor, just after midnight Wednesday, while the party was returning home through the yards. Two of the bullets, fired from behind (oal car, struck young Halfaker, one it each arm, and it is thought that all of



MISS ROSE WECKHERLIN. Who was with her father and her sweet heart, Charles Halfaker, when a shot wa

them were intended for the young man, On Sarcoxie, Mo., April 24.—The business por-tion of Sarcoxie was wiped out by fire iast night and fifteen business houses were de-Lendwehr, a youth of Miss Rose's acquaintance, whose compamonny she had rejected for

Myers was injured by a falling telegraph pole, and a stranger, name unknown, was badly hurt.

The Sarcoxie Hotel is among the buildings totally destroyed and the Galt House was damaged. The guests at both places escaped in safety in their night clothes. The fire started in the Goodrich block, of unknown origin, and, as the town has no fire department, the flames gained rapid headway. cottage, when successed to the hold a box car staggered them, and Halfaker's arms fell helpless beside likes, livery; Goodner & Saberts, warehouse, Hagard's warehouse, Reed Front's warehouse, George Crowell, jewelry; Grace McHenry millinery; two blacksmith shops Mrs. McHenry, shee store; Hughes's feed stable. Sarcoxie Hotel, twenty-five rooms, Several residences were also destroyed.

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**The list of firms burned out is as follows: from a revolver behind a box car staggered them, and Halfaker's arms fell helpless beside lilm. The form of a man wan seen running from the scene, but Weckherlin clid not leave his daughter and the woman to live parsuit.

Halfaker was hurrled to the North Side by the stage of the showing the seed. They were not setlous, and he was able to return to his home, at No. St. Bremen avenue. Weckerlin accom-

Several residences were also used.

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ifornia Ripe Tomatoes, arge No. 24 cans	Cervelat Lunch Sausage, per pound
fornia Prunes, pounds for	Jumbo Vinegar Pickles, per dozen
l Brand Alaska Red Salmen, er can	California Apricots, Sphinx brand, large can
w York Tomatoes, our own rand large gallon cans, each. 28c	5-pound package
Murray's Mountain Sugar orn, per can	No. 1 Large Wood Handled Wash Tubs, each
erican Oil Sardines, 10c ans, 3 cans for	3 pounds for
tra Fancy California Dessert frapes, large cans, each	25c can Polishine
onnese Paper Napkins, er package, 100 for	Stern's Electric Bug and Roach Paste, 20c package
dan Mucilage, 3c	Refined Powdered Borax, per pound
ley's Royal Crab Meat, shells iffe	Van Camp's Hominy, large No. 3 can
rpet Tacks, all sizes, 5c packages for	Best White Farina, 3 pounds for
rter's Black Ink, ge bottle3c	Gunpowder Tea, per pound40
Popular 5c John Harper's 25c	Oolong Tea, per pound. 40
to popular Brands of St. Louis High brade Roller Patent Flour, \$1.90 hoice, 98-pound sack\$1.90	Imperial Tea, per pound
8-pound sack95c	grade of Old Government Java, fres
nket Tablets, an ideal health 60	per pound40

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HOPKINS SUPPORTERS CONFER. Move to Bring About Harmony in

St. Clair County. E. J. Murphy, Warden of the Jollet Penientlary; Illinois' Railroad Commissioner A. R French and Registrar Dan Hogan were at the Southern Hotel yesterday, in conlecence concerning St. Clair County polities. They expect to influence the primary
vote in favor of Hopkins delegates. At
the same time, they consider it wiser to
remain out of the county until after the
primaries. Accordingly, they will be in St.
Louis for a week, as this city is sufficiently
close to the scene of operations.

None were communicative as to the plans
for the overthrow of the "opposition,"
which, it is understood, favors Dawes or
Mason for Senator. St. Chair County is
now split on the senatorial question, and
Warden Murphy said last night that it is
the aim of the gathering on this side of the
river to harmonize the warring factions.
The three men at the Southern are ardent
Hopkins supporters, and say that there
will be no harmony without Hopkins. at the Southern Hotel yesterday, in con-Hopkins supporters, and say that there will be no harmony without Hopkins.

The Believille primaries have been held and the Hopkins men were successful. The Mascoutah and East St. Louis primaries are to be held next Wednesday.

DOUBLE CHURCH WEDDING.

Mennt Vernon, ill., April 24.—Mr. Thomas E. Helvey and Miss Lizzie L. Chiiton were married last night at the home of the bride by the Reverent J. F. Harmon of the First M. E. Church. Before the guests could reach them to extend congraulations the bride's sister, Miss Gertrude, and Gerald Clark, her lover, took their places and were married by the Reverend I. W. Langley of the First Baptist Church. All present but the two first contracting parties had been let into the secret, but the sister marriage came as a great surprise to Mr. and Mrs. Helvey.

BLIND MUSICIANS WED. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

BLIND MUSICIANS WED. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Mount Vernon, Ill., April 24.—Ellis Com-paniatt and Mrs. Anna Linders, two blind itirerant musicians from Vincennes, Ind., arrived here at noon to-day and Immedi-

eld boy. ARMSTRONG-MELLICK.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Nevada, Mo., April 24. lick, daughter of Docto vicinity, and Mr. W. HOUGH-WRIGHT.

Propublic Special.

Paducah, Ky., April M.—Mr. Hunter Hough and Miss Linda Wright, a popular Paducah couple, were married this morning at the Broadway Methodist Church by the Reverend G. W. Briggs. The marriage was a surprise. Mr. Hough is engaged in the lumber business and gives his attention to extensive real estate interests in Missouri. The bride is pretty and a member of a well-known family. They left for St. Louis to spend their honeymoon, where they will later reside.

GRIFFIN—BECKER. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Mattoon, Ill., April 24.—Mr. Martin Griffin and Miss Lillian Helen Becker were married this afternoon by the Reverend Father Higgins at the rectory of the Immaculate Conception.

INNOVATION DELIGHTS WOMEN.

They Can Get at Their Trunks in the Baggage Car En Route.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, April M.—The "Federation Special," carrying 178 women, pulled out of the Grand Central Station this morning, bound for Los Angeles, where their biennial meeting is to be held.

J. P. McCann, traveling passenger agent of the Missouri Pacific, introduced the delegates to the most complete and perfect baggae car that woman's heart could desire. It marked an innovation in railroading, entirely due to the demand created by women's conventions. On this car the women will be able to get at their trunks en route, and an entire change of costume will be possible at every stopping place. the Grand Central Station this morning.



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